SELAIA'S PREGNANT.

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I WANT TO MEET WITH HER.

CAN WE GO BACK TO RIMAAZE FOR A BIT?

HEY,

... WHAT POINT IS THERE IN RETURN-ING NOW?

THAT SOUNDS GREAT!

I SEE,

SO SELAIA IS...

JUST GIVE UP.

WHAT?

IT WOULD MAKE SENSE IF IT WAS RIGHT AFTER THE KID WAS BORN...

OH YEAH, HE WAS ALWAYS LATCHED ONTO HER WHEN HE WAS LITTLE.

QUIT SPOUTING BULLSHIT!

HOW CHILD-ISH.

SO THAT'S WHY HE WAS SO UNSETTLED DURING THE FIGHT...

HE LOVES HER AFTER ALL, SO IT'D BE DIFFICULT FOR HIM TO GO SEE HER.

I SHOULDN'T THINK ABOUT THAT...

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IS IT BECAUSE I LEFT RIMAAZE AND THOSE TWO STARTED ACTING LIKE NEWLY-WEDS AGAIN?

ACTU-ALLY...

I DON'T RECALL HAVING A YOUNGER SIBLING IN MY PREVIOUS LIFE.

THE TOUR-NAMENT ENDED

MASTER DIDN'T BOTHER ATTENDING THE AWARDS CEREMONY AND JUST DISAPPEARED RIGHT AFTER THE MATCH.

AND I WOKE UP ON THE DAY AFTER.

THE TOURNAMENT ENDED RATHER ANTICLIMAC-TICALLY.

SIR KAIL.

I WANTED TO WIN THE TOURNAMENT TO EARN ZIRGUS' TRUST,

SO THIS HURTS...

WE REQUESTED THAT OF YOU AFTER ALL,

IT'S FINE,

MEETING YOUR EXPECTA-TIONS.

I'M REALLY SORRY FOR NOT

SO IT'S NOT YOUR FAULT.

THE EMPIRE IS BEHAVING RATHER STRANGELY NOW.

ALSO...

WHAT DO YOU MEAN-

WE HAVE DECIDED

THAT WE WILL NOT HOLD ZIRGUS RESPONSIBLE FOR WHAT HAPPENED IN CALAN.

WE ARE NOT SO NARROW-MINDED THAT WE WOULDN'T AT LEAST REWARD YOU FOR THAT.

AND IT'S UNREASONABLE TO EXPECT YOU TO WIN WITH HER AS YOUR OPPONENT.

WHILE YOU MAY NOT HAVE WON,

YOU DID STILL MAKE A GREAT SHOWING.

I'M SURE THAT QUEEN MILEINA FEELS REASSURED

BLESSED WITH SUCH A GREAT RETAINER!

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WE QUITE ENVY ZIRGUS FOR POSSESSING SUCH A YOUNG HERO.

WELL THEN,

THIS MEETING IS NOW OVER.

IT'S OBVIOUS THAT THERE IS SOMETHING ELSE AT PLAY HERE,

BUT FROM HERE ON OUT, IT'S OUR JOB.

WHILE THIS DOES WORK OUT VERY WELL FOR ZIRGUS...

... WHAT JUST HAPPENED?

... I'M GLAD I COULD HELP.

I WILL BE SURE TO INFORM QUEEN MILEINA OF YOUR EFFORTS.

THANK YOU, SIR KAIL,

UGH...

MY WOUNDS ARE STILL...

YOU SHOULD COME VISIT THE MARODD HOUSE IN THE CAPITAL!

NO NO,

PLEASE FEEL FREE TO DROP BY MY TERRITORY WHEN YOU RETURN TO ZIRGUS!

... WASN'T THAT A BIT UNNATURAL?

ACCORDING TO CONRAD, MELRA WORSHIPERS ARE INTERESTED IN THAT KAIL GUY.

WE'LL NEED TO MOVE AHEAD WITH THAT PLAN.

IT'S BETTER IF THEY'RE WARY THAT THERE'S SOMETHING ELSE GOING ON.

THE MELRA WORSHIPERS, HUH?

THEY WERE RATHER QUIET THESE PAST FEW YEARS,

SO WHY ARE THEY ACTING NOW?

I'D LIKE TO KNOW THAT MYSELF.

IF ONLY THEY COULD HAVE KEPT QUIET UNTIL THE WORLD ENDED.

THIS IS MY FIRST TIME INVITING A MAN OTHER THAN MY BROTHERS TO THIS ROOM!

I STILL LOST THOUGH

THANK YOU FOR LISTENING TO MY REQUEST DURING THE TOURNAMENT

YOU WERE AMAZING OUT THERE!

THANKS FOR THE OFFER,

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TO BECOME MY PERSONAL KNIGHT

I WOULD LIKE TO ASK YOU

BUT THERE'S SOMETHING ELSE I WANNA DO

IT'S NOTHING THAT AMAZING

AS A WOMAN, I CANNOT UNDERSTAND IT

IS IT PERHAPS THAT FRIENDSHIP BETWEEN MEN THING?

THANKS FOR THE TEA.

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HEHE, IF YOU THINK I'LL JUST GIVE UP, YOU'RE GRAVELY MISTAKEN

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NOT LET YOU GET AWAY!

I WILL ABSO LUTELY

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HEY,

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THAT THE ASSASSI NATION WAS SUCCESSFUL

THE OFFICIAL REASON FOR BAHREL'S DEATH IS A HEART ATTACK.

FIRST, I'LL INFORM YOU

I FOUND THESE HIDDEN LETTERS

AND

WHEN I BROKE IN,

BUT IT SEEMS THEY CAME IN ON A REGULAR BASIS

AND THE SENDERS VARY,

THE CONTENTS APPEAR HARMLESS

BUT I'LL NEED TIME
IT SHOULD BE POSSIBLE,
PROBABLY A CODE
CAN YOU DECODE IT?

ELDRAND'S SUDDEN SHIFT IN ATTITUDE IS PROBABLY RELATED TO THEM
IF WE CAN DECODE THEM, WE SHOULD HAVE INFORMATION ABOUT THE MELRA WORSHIPERS

THOSE ARE ALL THE REPORTS RELATED TO MY JOB

HE'S PROBABLY THINKING OF USING ME TO CRUSH THEM
CONRAD WARNED ME,
BUT ELDRAND HAS NO REASON TO
SHOULD I PUT HIM IN MY DEBT WITH THIS INFORMATION?

THAT YOU WERE GUARANTEED TO WIN?

DIDN'T YOU SAY

SORRY,

I LIED

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I THOUGHT THAT AS LONG AS I WON, IT WOULD WORK OUT

RIGHT, LET'S TALK THIS OVER

MY DEBTS INCREASED!

I BET ALL OF MY MONEY ON YOU!

WHAT ARE YOU GONNA DO ABOUT THAT?!

WHY DID THEY IN CREASE?

YOU SHOULD'VE PAID OFF YOUR PREVIOUS DEBTS FIRST!

I TOOK OUT MORE LOANS

SINCE YOU SAID YOU WERE GONNA WIN,

CALM DOWN!

JUST TAKE A MOMENT TO COMPOSE YOURSELF!

LAST NIGHT

I KEPT ASKING MYSELF WHETHER OR NOT I SHOULD KILL YOU

THE AGREEMENT WAS THAT I'D GET HALF OF THE EARNINGS FROM THE BETS, SO

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NO,

WHAT?

I'LL DEAL WITH YOUR DEBTS

SHE'S OBSTINATE ON THE WEIRDEST PART

SO I WON'T ACCEPT ANYTHING MORE

THESE NEW DEBTS ARE MY OWN FAULT,

IN THAT CASE,

I'D LIKE TO HIRE YOU TO GUARD ME

I'VE MADE ENEMIES OF THE MELRA WORSHIPERS WITH EVERYTHING THAT HAPPENED

DEALING WITH YOUR DEBTS WILL BE THE ADVANCE PAYMENT

HUH?

I'M GOOD AT FIGHTING MYSELF, SO IT'S NOT LIKE YOU HAVE TO BE NEAR ME ALL THE TIME

I'M NOT REALLY SUITED TO GUARDING PEOPLE THOUGH

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DON'T SAY IT LIKE THAT!

WHOSE FAULT DO YOU THINK IT IS ANYWAYS?

BESIDES, YOU'VE GOT NOTHING TO DO AFTER QUITING YOUR PART TIME JOB, RIGHT?

SIMPLY PUT,

I WANT YOU TO FIGHT ALONGSIDE ME AS A COMRADE

...

I'LL JOIN YOU, BUT ONLY AS A TEMPORARY EMPLOYEE,

NOT AS A COMRADE

WHAT ARE YOU THINKING,

ASKING THAT OF AN ASSASSIN?

I'LL BE COUNTING ON YOU, MINAGI

THEN IT'S DECIDED

I'LL GO DECIPHER THE LETTERS

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... I NEED TO BECOME STRONGER.

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DIDN'T I TELL YOU THAT
HE DIDN'T EVEN LAST 30 SECONDS.
THAT'S ALL HE AMOUNTS TO?
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... YEAH,
I WON.

WELL,

I FEEL BAD FOR HIM AFTER DEVALUING HIM LIKE THAT.

I'M JUST TOO STRONG AFTER ALL.

THE REAL TEST WAS FIGHTING ME. NOT THAT LIZARDMAN.

LOOKS LIKE NO ONE NOTICED THAT

KAIL'S NOT THE SORT OF GUY THAT YOU'D NEED TO WORRY-

... I JUST TOLD YOU THAT I WON!

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YOU EXPECT ME TO BELIEVE THAT?

... I SWEAR...

... VERY WELL, YOUR GRACE.

WHAT A TROUBLESOME GOD.